

Read The Want Ads In This Paper.

CATHOLIC INFORMATION

"I confess Directly to God!"

"Why should I confess to a priest? What good can he do when God is all about me, ready to hear and to judge me?"

We hope you do, Mr. Non-Catholic, confess directly to God, because we Catholics do the same thing. Most of us do it every night before we tumble in and our sleep is the sounder for it. But we also confess to the Catholic priest, once a year, as commanded by our Church, and as many other times as we wish. Many of us get untold consolation from every confession. Some of us find it difficult and humiliating. But all of us do it because we dare not place our finite minds against the infinite mind of Christ—above the Sacrament which we believe that He, Himself, instituted when He said to His Apostles: "Whoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose-soever sins ye retain, they are retained" (John 20: 23, King James' Version).

And after all, the Catholic's confession to a priest must follow pretty much the same lines as your sincere confession direct to God. We must examine our consciences to know what serious sins we have committed. We must confess them all to the priest. We must have true sorrow for each of them, because they have offended God and have made us unworthy of heaven. We must

Improvised Trip Is Disastrous

Meandering Route Winds Up With Wreck Near State Line With Driver In Hands Of Law

John Henry Wells, 26-year-old Wilmington negro, made one of those wrong-way Corriegan trips Monday and it is proving rather expensive to him, with all the costs not yet added up.

Monday afternoon late he set out from Wilmington, supposedly to carry a colored woman friend who had come in from her home in the north to Delco. Instead of taking Route 74, he headed down 17 and just 30 feet this side of the South Carolina line his 1941 Ford coach ended bottom up in shallow water beside the road. John Henry and his friend crawled out through a window, uninjured.

The car, according to State Highway Patrolman C. J. Taylor, was damaged to the extent of \$500.00. The officer arrested John Henry, charging him with reckless driving. He is scheduled to appear in the Recorders court today to answer to this charge.

Local Principal Gets Snowbound

Principal H. T. Sanders returned home late Monday evening from Spruce Pine, where he went to carry Mrs. Sanders to the bedside of her father, J. V. Cox, who is critically ill. Mrs. Sanders remained in Spruce Pine.

The Southport school man found snow seven inches deep for much of the distance. His return was delayed a day by his inability to leave Spruce Pine until roads could be cleared.

PJC Receives New Books For Library

MAXTON—A thousand volumes for the new library building have been received by Presbyterian Junior College from the Library of Congress. The books were used in the Army College training program during the war and were secured from surplus property through the Federal Works Agency. The new library building is being prepared for use and will be available during the second semester which begins January 26th. New students are enrolling for the freshman class, veterans refresher course, and flying this week.

AMUZU THEATRE SOUTHPORT, N. C.

ADMISSION—9c and 25c
2 Shows Nightly, 1st at 7 P. M. Except Saturday.
3 Shows Sat., starting 6:30 P. M.

Thursday, Friday, January 29-30
'SUDDENLY IT'S SPRING'
FAULETTE GODDARD and FRED MACMURRAY
Also—"Klondyke Casanova" Cart.

Saturday, January 31—
'THE ARNELLO AFFAIR'
John HODIAK, Geo. MURPHY and Frances GIFFORD
Also—"Milky Wail" (Cartoon)

Monday, - Tuesday, Feb. 2-3—
'GUNFIGHTERS'
RANDOLPH SCOTT and BARBARA BRITTON
Also—"Cockatoos For Two" Cart.

Wednesday, February 4—
'BANDJO'
SHARYN MOFFETT and WALTER REED
Also, Chapt. 4—"The Sea Hound"

COMING
'FIESTA'
(In Technicolor)
ESTHER WILLIAMS

Capital Letters

By Thompson Greenwood

PRESSURE—Agriculture Commissioner Kerr Scott, who has announced that he will not run for re-election to this office, is receiving a great deal of pressure to run—and not to run—for Governor of the State of North Carolina.

Former Governor Cameron Morrison, reportedly an advocate of Charles Johnson, saw Commissioner Scott on the day of the funeral of Josephus Daniels. Gossip has it that he told Scott that he could become Governor in 1952 if he would refrain from seeking this position in 1948.

However, if Scott wants to run, anything that Morrison or anybody else says to him will have little weight. Scott, a forthright, honest man, and a man who hews to the line and lets the chips fall where they will, is not given to listening to the call of the siren once he makes up his mind on any matter.

The Johnson forces finally pulled Lt. Gov. L. Y. Ballentine out of the contest. But it now looks as if they might have jumped from the frying pan into the fire.

GOOD WITH WORDS—Of course, it remains to be seen just how good a campaign Mayne Albright is waging for Governor, but one thing is sure: He is the most articulate of the lot, being particularly adept at coining catchy phrases, ditties, and what have you. He came up the other day with this:

Let Johnson have the office chiefs,
I'll take the filing clerks.
And let him have the millionaires,
I'll take the man who works.

Let Johnson have the State "machine"
And claim the county rings—
Democracy's in Country stores,
And from the people springs.

Let Johnson count the victory won,
With claims of votes he'll get—
You'd be surprised how many say:
"We haven't voted yet!"
That's not bad rhyming for a gubernatorial candidate.

PRESIDENTS' WIVES—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt were in Raleigh to attend Mr. Daniels' funeral last Saturday. The crowds which saw them were amazed at how well they looked. This was especially true of Mrs. Eleanor, who is probably the closest thing extant to perpetual motion. President Wilson has been dead since 1923. President Roosevelt died nearly three years ago; but their widows remain very active. Mrs. Grover Cleveland died only a few weeks ago, and Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge are still hale and hearty. And yet—there is only one ex-President, Herbert Hoover, living.

AFTER 50—Young men who become impatient at the progress they are making in fame, fortune, influence, and affluence should let the life of Josephus Daniels serve as a pathway for them. He never swerved from what he thought was right. He

MACHINERY FOR SALE

- 1—Farmall "A" Tractor
- 1—Farmall "M" Tractor
- 1—Ford Tractor
- 1—Tractor Mower
- 1—Tractor Stalk Cutter
- 1—Athens Tiller
- 2—Horse Cultivators
- 1—McD. Hay Press
- 1—Turner Hay Press
- 2—Used Saw Mills
- 3—Tractor Hay Rakes
- 1—H. D. Hay Rake
- 2—Dump Bodies
- 2—B&B Botton Tractor Plows
- Tractor Wood Saws
- Lime Sowers
- Dirt Scoops and Loaders
- Gasoline Engines
- Diesel Engines
- Roller Benches
- Hammer Mills
- Garden Tractors
- Farm & Saw Mill Supplies

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WHITEVILLE, N. C.

State Highway Commission each year is barely enough for maintenance, and the State which at one time was near the top in highways has badly fallen in this respect.

So, if the Legislature does meet, one of its first items of business will be to fix it so that the people can vote this fall on whether to float around \$125,000,000 in bonds for a big highway program.

TO FIGHT IT—The Department of Interior, which has control over national parks, is planning to charge motorists using the National Parkway fees for traveling over this Skyland Drive. Asheville and other Western North Carolina towns plan to fight it.

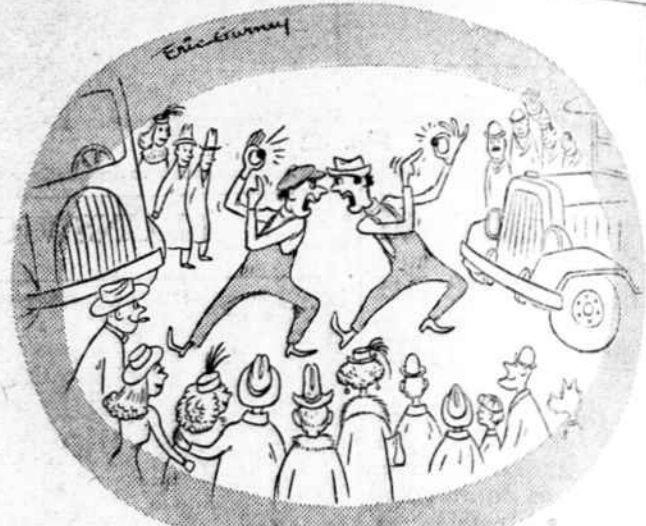
Randolph Grange Is Typical Unit

RALEIGH—The Trinity Grange of Randolph County is due to be featured in a March issue of COLLIERS as one of a series of articles devoted to American organizations. The Randolph grange was chosen as being "typical" of that organization's units.

Writer Wade H. Nichols and photographer Ike Vern are producing the piece, said the State Advertising Division.

Read The Want Ads

Between 1941 and 1943, U. S. auto traffic decreased 40 per cent. Among lesser-used narcotics are derivatives of the thorn-apple, henbane, hops and lettuce.



"No—it's not a fight, they're just swapping Pepsi-Cola 'Treasure Tops'!"

- Look for hidden design under the cork in every Pepsi-Cola bottle top.
- Enter Pepsi's great \$203,725 "Treasure Top" Sweepstakes and Contests.
- Every entry gets a Treasure Certificate for the big Family Sweepstakes Prize of \$25,000.00 Cash.
- Collect and swap Pepsi "Treasure Tops" ... GET ENTRY BLANKS AT YOUR STORE

Pepsi-Cola Company, Long Island City, N. Y.

Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co., Wilmington, N. C.

GOOD FARM MULES

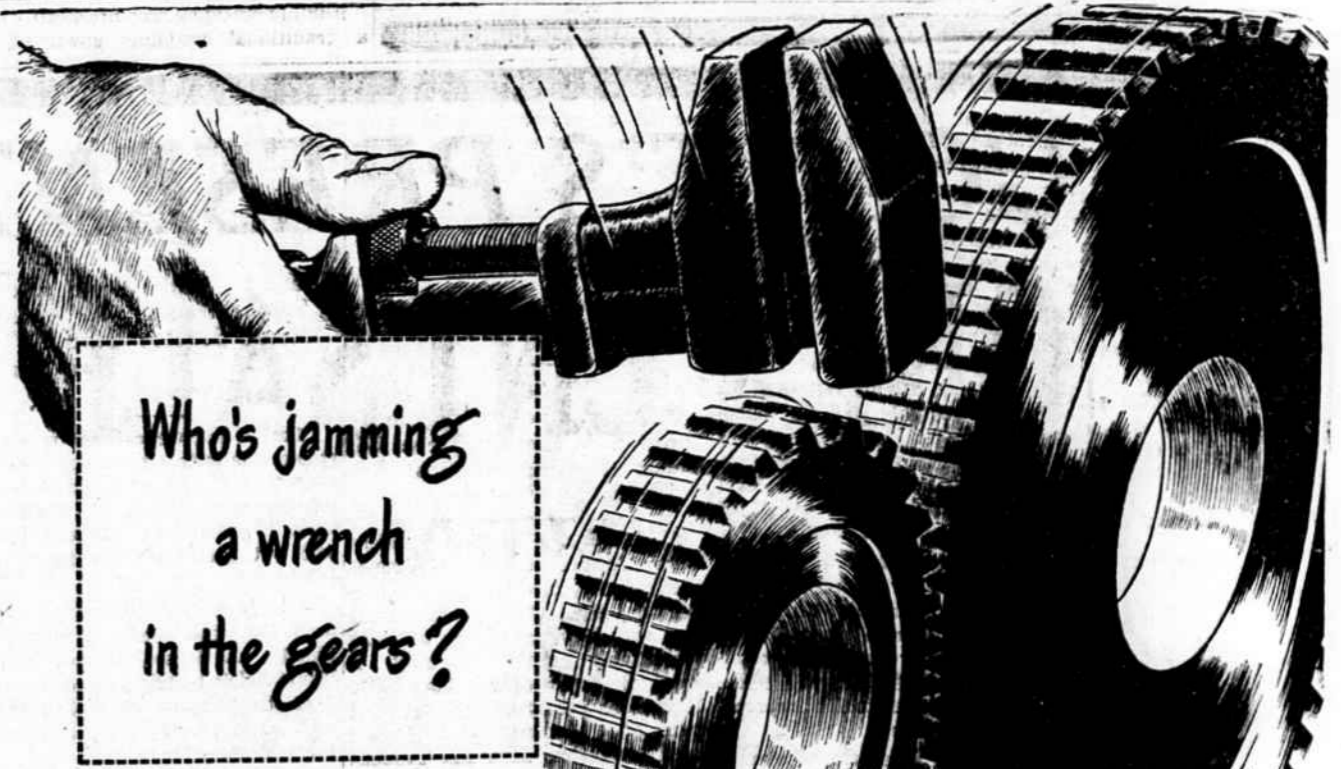
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MULES

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WILLETTS and ROBBINS

Stables Located at Walker Willetts Estate Highway No. 303—Near WINNABOW, N. C.



3 Unions Block Labor Peace—Refuse Wage Boost Already Accepted by 19 Other Railroad Unions!

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen and the Switchmen's Union of North America, representing 125,000 railroad employees, have refused to accept the offer of the Railroads of a wage increase of 15 1/2 cents an hour. This is the same increase awarded 1,000,000 non-operating employees by an arbitration board in September, 1947. This is the same increase accepted by 175,000 conductors, trainmen and switchmen by agreement on November 14, 1947. Agreements have been made with 1,175,000 employees, represented by nineteen unions. But these three unions, representing only 125,000 men, are trying to get more. They are demanding also many new working rules not embraced in the settlement with the conductors and trainmen.

Incidentally, the Switchmen's Union of North America represents only about 7% of all railroad switchmen, the other 93% being represented by the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and covered by the settlement with that union.

Strike Threat The leaders of these three unions spread a strike ballot while negotiations were still in progress. This is not a secret vote but is taken by union leaders and votes are signed by the employees in the presence of union representatives.

When direct negotiations failed, the leaders of these three unions refused to join the railroad in asking the National Mediation Board to attempt to settle the dispute, but the Board took jurisdiction at the request of the carriers and has been earnestly attempting since November 24, 1947, to bring about a settlement. The Board on January 15, 1948, announced its inability to reach a mediation settlement. The leaders of the unions rejected the request of the Mediation Board to arbitrate. The Railroads accepted.

What Now? The Unions having refused to arbitrate, the Railway Labor Act provides for the appointment of a fact-finding board by the President. The Railroads feel it is due shippers, passengers, employees, stockholders, and the general public to know that throughout these negotiations and in mediation they have not only exerted every effort to reach a fair and reasonable settlement, but they have also met every requirement of the Railway Labor Act respecting the negotiation, mediation, and arbitration of labor disputes. It seems unthinkable that these three unions, representing less than 10 per cent of railroad

employees, and those among the highest paid, can successfully maintain the threat of a paralyzing strike against the interest of the entire country—and against 90 per cent of their fellow employees.

The threat of a strike cannot justify granting more favorable conditions to 125,000 employees than have already been put in effect for 1,175,000, nor will it alter the opposition of the railroads to unwarranted wage increases or to changes in working rules which are not justified.

A glance at the box shows what employees represented by the Engineers and Firemen make. They are among the highest paid in the ranks of labor in the United States, if not the highest.

Compare these wages with what you make!

Here is a comparison of average annual earnings of engineers and firemen for 1939 (pre-war) and 1947. Also shown is what 1947 earnings would have been if the 15 1/2 cents per hour increase, offered by the railroads and rejected by the union leaders, had been in effect throughout the entire year 1947.	Type of Employee	1939 Average Annual Earnings	1947 Average Annual Earnings	1947 Average Annual Earnings with 15 1/2 Cents per Hour Added
ENGINEERS	Road Freight (Local and Way)	\$3,966	\$6,126	\$6,757
	Road Passenger	3,632	5,399	6,025
	Road Freight (Through)	3,147	4,684	5,169
	Yard	2,749	4,081	4,539
FIREMEN	Road Freight (Local and Way)	2,738	4,683	5,268
	Road Passenger	2,732	4,544	5,165
	Road Freight (Through)	2,089	3,460	3,891
	Yard	1,962	3,186	3,553

Railroad wages computed from Interstate Commerce Commission Statement M-300. Full year 1947 estimated on basis of actual figures for first eight months.

SOUTHEASTERN RAILROADS

We are publishing this and other advertisements to talk with you at first hand about matters which are important to everybody.

WINTER WEAR...

For days like these we have been having you must have warm work clothes if you are going to be outside. We have a large stock of merchandise from which to fill your needs.

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REPUBLICAN

MEETING—Calabash, N. C.

VINSON SIMMONS' PLACE

Thurs., Jan. 29th—7:00 P. M.

OYSTER ROAST—8:30 P. M.

Meeting to organize Shallotte Township Republicans. Ladies especially invited... Come and bring your neighbor and friends.

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